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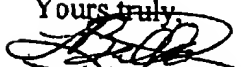
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## (57) ABSTRACT

A press for making a patty includes a substantially flat panel in contact with the product to be pressed into a patty. An upward, moving member is utilized to displace the panel. A weight member or "normal" member, the upward moving member, the weight member is movable along the upward moving member between a first position where the weight member over the panel facilitates the application of force to the product and a second position where the weight member is spaced from the panel.

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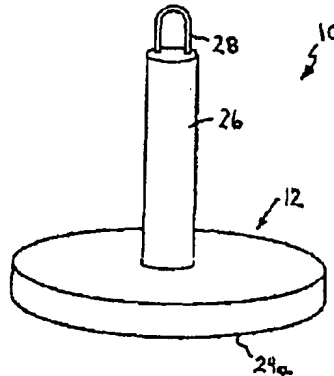
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A press for making a patty includes a substantially flat panel to contact the product to be pressed into a patty. An upstanding member is affixed to the panel. A weight member or "mould" surrounds the upstanding member. The weight member is moveable along the upstanding member between a first position where the weight member overlies the panel to facilitate the application of force to the product and a second position where the weight member is spaced from the panel.

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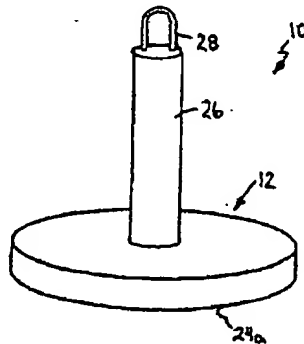
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